

PROPOSED REMARKS
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I AM PLEASED TO BE ASKED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE, A MATTER OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO OUR NATIONAL SECURITY. TODAY THE THREAT AGAINST US HAS GROWN, AND AN EFFECTIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT TO OUR NATION. THE NUMBER OF HOSTILE OPERATIONS AGAINST US AND OUR ALLIES HAS INCREASED, AND THE NUMBER OF INTELLIGENCE SERVICES INVOLVED IN SUCH OPERATIONS HAS ALSO GROWN. ALL CITIZENS -- ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WORK IN DEFENSE RELATED INDUSTRIES -- NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE THREAT, AND I WELCOME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH YOU.

OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS, WE HAVE DISCOVERED MORE PENETRATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES' DEFENSE AND INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITIES THAN AT ANY TIME IN OUR HISTORY. THE COSTS OF THESE COMPROMISES ARE ESTIMATED IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

ALTHOUGH MANY COUNTRIES ENGAGE IN INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS AGAINST THE UNITED STATES, I THINK IT IS NO SURPRISE TO YOU THAT THE SOVIET INTELLIGENCE SERVICES -- THE KGB AND THE MILITARY SERVICE, THE GRU -- REPRESENT BY FAR THE MOST SIGNIFICANT INTELLIGENCE THREAT IN TERMS OF SIZE, ABILITY, AND INTENT TO ACT AGAINST U.S. INTERESTS BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD. AND DESPITE THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CHANGES GORBACHEV IS ATTEMPTING TO MAKE, WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE AT ALL THAT THE FORCE OF THE SOVIET INTELLIGENCE EFFORT HAS IN ANY WAY ABATED.

BECAUSE WE CAN PROTECT OURSELVES BEST IF WE UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR ADVERSARY WANTS, I THINK IT'S WORTH CONSIDERING JUST WHAT IS BEING COLLECTED. THE HIGHEST SOVIET COLLECTION PRIORITY IS INFORMATION ON U.S. STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCES. OTHER HIGH-PRIORITY SUBJECTS ARE KEY FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS, CONGRESSIONAL INTENTIONS, DEFENSE INFORMATION, U.S. INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS, AND ADVANCED DUAL-USE

TECHNOLOGY -- THE KIND OF TECHNOLOGY THAT IS CIVILIAN IN NATURE BUT CAN BE ADAPTED TO MILITARY PURPOSES. THE SOVIETS ALSO TARGET NATO INTENSIVELY.

AND THE METHODS EMPLOYED BY THE SOVIETS TO GET THE INFORMATION THEY WANT ARE BECOMING MORE SOPHISTICATED. WE EXPECT TO SEE GREATER SOVIET EFFORTS TO RECRUIT U.S. PERSONNEL ABROAD. INCREASINGLY, THIRD COUNTRIES WILL BE USED AS SITES FOR CLANDESTINE MEETINGS WITH AMERICAN AGENTS. THIS IS THE RESULT OF SOME SUCCESSFUL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE WORK IN THE UNITED STATES BY THE FBI, WHICH HAS ALREADY DRIVEN MANY OF THOSE MEETINGS TO MEXICO AND VIENNA. WE ALSO EXPECT TO SEE GREATER EFFORTS TO PENETRATE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS THAT MIGHT BE PRIVY TO U.S. SECRETS AS WELL AS GREATER EMPHASIS ON EXPLOITING INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION CAPABILITIES OF THE WARSAW PACT ALLIES.

THE SOVIET UNION, OF COURSE, IS BY NO MEANS THE ONLY COUNTRY TRYING TO OBTAIN OUR SECRETS. INTELLIGENCE AND

SECURITY SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD HAVE INCREASED THEIR EFFORTS TO PENETRATE OUR FACILITIES.

I THINK I SHOULD EMPHASIZE, THOUGH, THAT THE METHODS THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY USES TO COUNTER THESE THREATS ARE IMPRESSIVE. TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION THAT WILL ALLOW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO PROTECT OUR CITIZENS, WE HAVE BOLSTERED COUNTERINTELLIGENCE EFFORTS BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD. FOR THE CIA, SUCH EFFORTS INCLUDE COLLECTING INFORMATION OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES ON HOSTILE INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AGAINST AMERICANS.

AND WITHIN THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY, I HAVE ESTABLISHED A COUNTERINTELLIGENCE CENTER TO PROTECT THE AGENCY'S FOREIGN OPERATIONS AND THE SECURITY OF ALL AGENCY COMPONENTS AGAINST PENETRATION BY FOREIGN SECURITY OR INTELLIGENCE SERVICES.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE IS SOMETHING WE ARE VERY SERIOUS
ABOUT -- IT IS A NATIONAL CONCERN -- AND UNDERSTANDING THE
COUNTERINTELLIGENCE THREAT IS IMPORTANT.